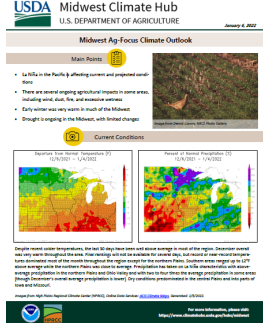




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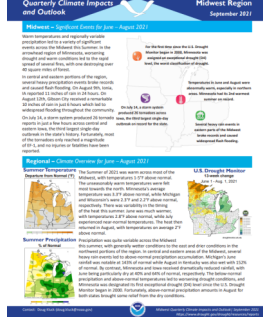
## Climate Hub Update Winter 2022

### New: Midwest Climate Ag-Focus Outlook



The USDA Midwest Climate Hub has released a January Ag-Focus Climate Outlook, which can be found [here](#). These outlooks utilize NOAA and USDA outlooks and place them in context for agriculture in the Midwest based on current impacts. [Read more.](#)

### New: Regional Quarterly Climate Impacts and Outlooks



The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Regional Climate Services Program has released quarterly updates on climate impacts and outlooks. These two-page reports each center on a region of the US. To access reports on the Midwest, the Great Lakes region, and the Missouri River Basin, among others, go [here](#).

## Laurie Nowatzke Joins the Midwest Climate Hub as Coordinator

The USDA Midwest Climate Hub welcomed Laurie Nowatzke as its new coordinator in October. In this role, Laurie will assist in developing and maintaining the Hub's key partnerships with regional agencies, universities, research entities, and stakeholders to help further the region's work in addressing agricultural climate challenges. [Read more.](#)



## Job Announcements

### Midwest Climate Adaptation Science Center University of Minnesota Institute on the Environment

[Communications Manager](#)  
[Program Manager](#)

Deadline: January 17, 2022

### USDA Agricultural Research Service

[Southern Plains Climate Hub Director](#)

Deadline: January 31, 2022

### Midwestern Regional Climate Center Purdue University

[Climate Data Programmer](#) (Two vacancies)

Open until filled

### Western Kentucky University

[Kentucky State Climatologist and Climate Center Director](#)

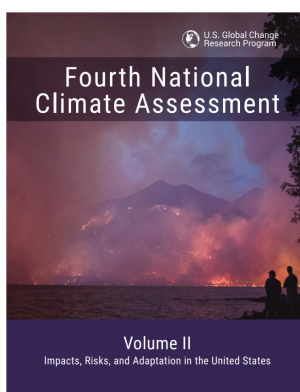
## Ways to Engage

### Engagement Workshops for the 5th National Climate Assessment

*Chapter-specific workshops held throughout January and February*

Development of the Fifth National Climate Assessment (NCA5) is underway. The US Global Change Research Program and NCA5 chapter authors will host a series of workshops to solicit feedback on climate change-related issues that are important to the public. The information gathered in these workshops will help the authors determine which topics to cover in their chapters of NCA5. The full schedule of workshops can be found [here](#).

View the Fourth National Climate Assessment (2018) [here](#).



## Upcoming Webinar

### Growing Condition Analogs for US Specialty Crop Production

January 14 and 21



Is there a county whose current growing conditions resemble what I expect in my county in the future? A multi-institutional team [funded by USDA NIFA](#) invites outreach professionals to a webinar on climate adaptation and mitigation opportunities in specialty crops. The webinar is a precursor to a workshop that is planned for February 2022. Find out more and register at this [link](#):

<https://forms.office.com/r/pJqAiu5bAj>

## Highlighted Resources

### Where can I go for Midwest climate information?

**The Midwest Climate Hub:** Visit our website for resources on the impacts of climate on agriculture in the Midwest and for information on climate adaptation and mitigation.

**The Midwest Regional Climate Center:** The MRCC at Purdue University provides tools and data visualizations on weather and climate in the Midwest. Browse their [Vegetation Impact Program](#) to learn more about the impacts of past climate conditions on crops.